



NEW WORKSHOP!!

Understanding Marine Protected Areas

Do you find marine protected areas (MPAs) confusing? What is an MPA, anyway? This workshop will provide the information you need to understand the complicated world of MPAs.

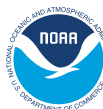
Designed to be politically neutral, **Understanding Marine Protected Areas** is a one-day workshop that provides training and information to the general public on the basic principles and general issues surrounding MPAs. The workshop will discuss such questions as these:

- What are MPAs?
- Why are MPAs established?
- What is science saying about MPAs?
- Who makes the decisions about MPAs?
- How can I get involved with MPAs?

This workshop is offered by the National MPA Center's Training and Technical Assistance Institute by request. Local hosts are responsible for workshop logistics, such as providing a facility, assuring participation of a minimum of 20 and maximum of 30 people, and arranging for food and beverages (if necessary). The institute will provide instructors and materials.

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